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JAPS' YALU VICTORY MOST DECISIVE ONE

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THE NEWS IN LONDON.

Victory of the Japanese Causes Surprise—Latest From the Field.

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, May 2.—The latest dispatches received here confirming the completeness of the Japanese victory on the Yalu could hardly have given greater satisfaction in London. The editorials in the morning papers ring with admiration for the success of General Kuropatkin's strategy in a manner indicating that Great Britain has been in considerable doubt of the Japanese troops when detached against the Russian and demoralized by Japan of good cavalry to follow up her victory, it is believed that she will speedily drive the Russians out of Feng Huan Cheng also.

Few further details have yet been received, but it seems that the Japanese Imperial Guards fought with conspicuous bravery and sustained the brunt of the fighting, losing heavily. Some accounts speak of Bayonet charges.

It is evident that the Japanese success is largely due to the superiority of their artillery, the Russian guns being too light.

The Japanese victory has caused complete surprise in the European capitals, and is expected to lead to difficulty in Russia's efforts to raise a loan.

An unconfirmed report of severe fighting between 3,000 Russians and a similar number of Japanese at Gen San is sent by the Standard's St. Petersburg correspondent, who says the Japanese were compelled to retire into Gen San, both sides losing heavily. Two Russian officers are said to have been among the wounded.

The Standard's Tien Tsin correspondent, cabling under date of May 24, states that Viceroy Alexieff has sent a lengthy dispatch to General Ma, commanding the Chinese troops, informing him that the occasion may arise for Russia to increase her forces in Sin Min Tug, Chen Yung and other places, and requesting him to withdraw the Chinese militia and police. An answer, the correspondent says, is required within three days.

An indication of General Kuropatkin's anxiety regarding the whereabouts of Japan's second army, the Morning Post's Shanghai correspondent says that all the Russian troops stationed in Chang Chu, Fu-Chau, Hai-Cheng, Kai-Ting and other places, have been detached along the sea coast to watch for a Japanese landing.

According to the Shan-Hai-Kwan correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, evidence is accumulating that China's neutrality is tottering. The Tartar generals in Kirin and Feng-Tien, the correspondent says, are urging the Peking government to adopt a strong policy against Russian aggression west of the Yalu River. It is alleged that Viceroy Yuan Shai-Kai is secretly making war preparations, and everything, in the opinion of the correspondent, points to China making a military demonstration against either belligerent fighting west of the Yalu River. A special dispatch from Port Arthur says that about one hundred Chinese junkies were observed on the horizon yesterday between the mouth of the Yalu and the Liao Tung peninsula.

RUSSIA IS WEAKENED.

Her Artillery Strength Diminished One-Third—Baron Hayashi on the Future.

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, May 2.—Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister here, who has been the recipient of numerous telegrams of congratulations on the Japanese successes on the Yalu, and especially on the result of the first serious land fighting, said to the Associated Press to-day:

"The immediate result of General Kuropatkin's successes was a movement on Feng Huan Cheng, which the Chinese had fortified with their usual brick structures. Since the commencement of the war the Russians doubtless have added extra works, but their loss of guns most seriously diminishes their defensive strength.

"I understand, though I cannot vouch for the absolute accuracy of the statement, that Russia had only one hundred guns in Manchuria. If that is the case, her artillery strength has been diminished almost one-third.

"They fight well, those Russians, and Feng Huan Cheng will not be taken without a hard struggle, unless General Kuropatkin again changes his plan of campaign. The announcement that the Russians would not contest the crossing of the Yalu has proved, as we thought, to be misleading. Kuropatkin evidently meant to make a determined resistance, but he either underestimated our armaments or disposed his forces in the belief that we would not venture a frontal attack.

"I take it, from the dispatches received, that we have now secured control of both banks of the Yalu. In consequence, our base will probably be moved to Antung.

Plans for the Future.

Reviewing the whole future of the struggle that has just commenced in such deadly earnest on land, Baron Hayashi said:

"The duration of the war must lie rather with Russia than with Japan.

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For the moment the military advantage is with us, for Kuropatkin has extended his front, and we can strike where and when we will. Our aggressive movement may be carried on to Mukden, perhaps to Harbin, and perhaps even further, but before long there must come a stage of the campaign where Russia will assume the role of the invading power, and where we must act solely upon the defensive, from the beginning it has been so, and our aggression is and has been a means towards the eventual repulsion of an invading army.

track road, which is Russia's only vital artery, it seems almost impossible, and a famine appears inevitable. "To help us sit down and wait all these contingencies, we are working day and night on the Korean railroad and by October the unfinished portions of the road between Fusan and Seoul will be completed and a new line from Seoul to Wiju will also be ready. Locomotives are coming from the United States and as soon as these arrive we will have a strong and rapid line of communication

through all Korea which will almost touch our own mainland and we will be able to supply our reinforcements. "As to the Sea Forces. "As regards Port Arthur and Vladivostok, the situation is somewhat different. I cannot say anything about the movements of our armies that have been mobilized, but there is no doubt that the Liao Tung Peninsula will be cut off from supplies if any success attends our land forces. Neither Port Arthur nor Vladivostok can be taken from the sea front, but I think you will find Port Arthur either taken by our land forces or starved out by September. The Chinese are smuggling provisions into Port Arthur now from Chefoo, but only to an immaterial extent, and will soon cease.

"Vice-Admiral Togo doubtless will remain on watch outside Port Arthur. By September, when the hurricane season comes, he should be able to safely house his fleet in a Japanese port. No fleet, Russian or Japanese, could be particularly effective then. I scarcely think Russia will send her Baltic fleet to face our autumn hurricanes. If the ships move before then, they will encounter the monsoon period, which lasts from May to August, and in which cooling at sea en route to Japan will be exceptionally dangerous, if not impossible, and cooling at sea is the only way the Baltic fleet can take a hand in the war."



Map Showing Where Russians Were Repulsed by Japs in Desperate Fight Sunday.

brigade of artillery, the whole under General Sasulitch.

Knowledge of geography is essential to a clear understanding. The Russian lines were at Kullen Cheng (or Turenchen), opposite Wiju and Antung, both on the Feng Wang Cheng road. A mile north of Kullen Cheng lies the village of Potelitsky, near a tributary of the Liao Tung, five miles up which is Chin Gow. On the opposite bank of the tributary is the village of Litzen. Opposite Potelitsky stands Housan, with a dominating position.

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FIGHTING ALONG RIVER.
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OPERATIONS ON YALU.
Russian General Staff Gives Out Statement of Fact and Theory.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PETERSBURG, May 2.—S. P. M.—The Associated Press has obtained from the general staff an outline of the operations on the Yalu River during the past week. The Russian force, including the reserves, was composed of General Kashtinsky's rifle division, General Mitschenko's Cossack outposts, and a

fourth division, thirteen battalions and fifty-six guns, were in action. The Japanese prepared for crossing the river by placing all their available guns, of which the Russians say, the Japanese had five times more than they, along the line facing Kullen Cheng and Antung, and also landed from their warships a considerable force of artillery eventually made Kullen Cheng untenable. Under cover of powerful batteries north of Shidua Gow, the Japanese crossed the Housan, occupying the height. As the last position would have enabled them to direct a raking fire against the Russians at Kullen Cheng, General Sasulitch ordered it to be retaken Friday.

This was done, but on Saturday the Japanese, under cover of battery, recovered it, the defenders falling back across the Litzen and continuing the fight with the Japanese, who were attempting to flank them from Chin Gow. The Russian force at Antung and Kullen Cheng had meanwhile retreated to its second line, a few miles westward. The whole Russian force engaged yesterday formed a semi-circle, the horns of which were being gradually drawn in preparation for retreating to a position further west. This was the situation when the last Russian official reports were sent.

A member of the staff informed the correspondent of the Associated Press by upon whether the order to withdraw was given at the proper time. A slight delay at a critical moment might have enabled the enemy's vastly superior military to concentrate on the Russian guns, killing horses and gunners, and compelling the abandonment of the guns. But if so, the Russian plans will not be changed by accidental loss. General Sasulitch would continue his retreat, contesting stubbornly a possible Japanese advance along the Feng Wang Cheng road, which runs through a hilly country, crowned with heights and exactly suited to Russian tactics.

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ing height. Still higher, on the right of the village of Ambikhe, at the confluence of the Yalu, the whole of the Yalu between Ambikhe and Antung is divided by islands, the largest, Somalinda, facing Kullen Cheng. Another lies between Housan and Shidua Gow.

The Twelfth Japanese division advanced toward Tabling Fang, which is due west of the village of Makko, the division of the Imperial Guards advanced towards Hamatan, which is west of Chiu Tien Cheng, while the Second division moved down the river with Antung as its objective. The general reserve advanced over the main road to Liao Yang, which runs in a westerly direction from the Yalu River. At 6 o'clock yesterday evening the Japanese army held a line extending from Antung northwesterly to Laikukui and running from there in a northerly direction to Mishukau.

At Hamatan, where the river makes its first bend to the west, the Japanese succeeded in enveloping the Russians on three sides. At this place after sharp fighting at close range, the Japanese captured twenty Russian guns with their horses, carriages and ammunition and more than twenty officers and men. The Russian troops at Hamatan retreated toward Feng Huan Cheng.

A Russian officer, who was taken prisoner, said that the effect of the Japanese artillery fire on Saturday and Sunday was enormous.

Lieutenant General Sasulitch, commander of the Second Siberian Army Corps, and Major General Kashtinsky, commander of the Third East Siberian Rifle Brigade, were wounded by shells. A Russian lieutenant colonel was captured. It is estimated that the Russian casualties amounted to over 800.

General Kuropatkin and his headquarters entered Chiu Tien Cheng at half-past 5 Sunday evening.

General Kuropatkin has telegraphed that the Imperial Prince and the officers of his command are in high spirits, and that all the troops are in excellent spirits.

SENSATION IN PEKIN.
People Stirred by News of Japanese Victory on Land and Anxious to Take Part.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch, Copyright, 1904.)
PEKIN, May 2.—The news of the Japanese victory on the Yalu created a profound sensation when it was received here, and in diplomatic circles it is believed its effect will be to place the war party, already strong, in a predominant position.

These are active days for M. Lessar, the Russian minister, and he is doing his utmost to counteract the effect of the news, with what success soon may be determined.

The Japanese victories at sea have had no such effect as the defeat of the Czar's soldiers on land. The conservatives in the government, who have held out for neutrality, and who still hold out, have used as their most powerful argument that the Japanese would be crushed in the land fighting, and would be unable

to assist China to resist a Russian advance on Pekin. Even these are beginning to believe that Russia will be driven entirely out of Manchuria and kept out, and the argument now is heard that China will stand a much better chance in the final settlement if she takes an active part in the expulsion of Russia. It is predicted that if the recent success on the Yalu is followed up by the capture of Feng Huan Cheng, nothing can prevent the complete ascendancy of the war party.

It is only by using the most vigorous measures that the Chinese commanders are able to prevent their troops from rushing to the support of their old-time enemies, the Japanese.

FOG STOPPED FIGHT.
The Japanese Prevented From Continuing the Attack on Vladivostok.

(By Associated Press.)
TOKIO, May 2, noon.—Vice-Admiral Kamimura, who is in command of the Japanese squadron, which has been operating recently against Vladivostok, has sent in a report from Gen San, Korea, dated Sunday, in which he says that the impenetrable fog twice forced the abandonment of the attack on Vladivostok, and twice, spared the Russian squadron a sea fight. While Kamimura was steaming North the first time, he passed the Russian squadron bound south on the raid to Gen San, which resulted in the sinking of the Japanese merchant steamer Goyo Maru and the transport Kinshu Maru. The Japanese and Russian squadrons must have passed very close to each other, for the Japanese were conscious of the presence of the enemy.

When Kamimura was compelled to suspend his attack upon Vladivostok, he moved to the southward and again passed the Russians on their way north after the Gen San raid.

As soon as Kamimura returned to the Korean coast, he learned that the Kinshu Maru was missing, and immediately returned to the north to search and pursue it. He found three boats belonging to the Kinshu Maru floating at sea. He then detached some cruisers from his squadron and ordered them to search certain inlets in the vicinity of Naniwa. These vessels discovered some Russian mines at least. The Japanese cruisers exploded the mines.

Vice-Admiral Kamimura closes his report by saying that the continuance of the fog since Thursday, has prevented a renewal of the attack.

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